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CHOBOTOV, M.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

B1 perigraft leakage. This approach will allow for improved percutaneous delivery through a delivery catheter system to preselected portions of a body lumen using smaller diameter delivery catheters than those typically used.

REMARKS

Any fees that may be due in connection with this application throughout its pendency may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.

The specification is amended to correct a spelling error on page 10, line 19. No new matter has been added to the specification.

In view of the amendments and above remarks, entry of the amendments and examination of the application on the merits are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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**ATTACHMENT TO THE PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
MARKED UP PARAGRAPHS AND CLAIMS (37 CFR §1.121)**

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the paragraph on page 10, line 12 through page 11, line 2, as follows:

The nested or layered approach to deploying the thin wall graft members described herein will allow each member to be smaller, more flexible, and have a lower profile than would a single element device typically used to treat the same body lumen. While each individual graft member may lack the necessary mechanical characteristics or properties of a completed graft or device, the aggregate assembly of all of the components in situ will achieve the required structural objectives. These objectives include strength, stiffness, and non-porosity necessary for device [patency]patency, hemodynamic sealing, and prevention of perigraft leakage. This approach will allow for improved percutaneous delivery through a delivery catheter system to preselected portions of a body lumen using smaller diameter delivery catheters than those typically used.